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A. PRELIMINARY OAK NO. 1, MISSION 1112-1 COVERING

PERIOD 19-25 November 1970. DETAILS WILL FOLLOW IN LATER OAK EDITION.

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USSRMISSILE ACTIVITY

1. ALL SIX OF THE SS-9 ICBM COMPLEXES WERE OBSERVED. SVOBODNY, NOVOSIBIRSK, GLADKAYA, AND OLOYANNAYA WERE THE ONLY OTHER ICBM COMPLEXES OBSERVED. NO NEW MISSILE ACTIVITY WAS OBSERVED.

NUCLEAR ACTIVITY

2. TEST PREPARATIONS WERE OBSERVED AT LOCATION 12 AT THE SEMIPALATINSK NWPG SHAGAN RIVER TEST AREA 19 NOVEMBER 1970. THE LARGE DRILL RIG PRESENT ON  APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN REMOVED. PARALLEL CABLE TRENCHES WITH FOUR INSTRUMENTATION POINTS EXTEND TO THE NORTHEAST OF THE DRILL HOLE.

NAVAL ACTIVITY

3. NO SIGNIFICANT NAVAL ACTIVITY WAS OBSERVED IN THE USSR ON THIS MISSION. THE SEVERODVINSK AND KOMSOMOLSK SHIPYARDS WERE NOT COVERED AS WERE NONE OF THE Y-CLASS SSBN BASES.

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CHINA

4. SIXTEEN PASSES PROVIDED GENERALLY CLEAR, SMALL-SCALE COVERAGE OF FAIR INTERPRETABILITY OVER PORTIONS OF WESTERN, NORTHERN, AND NORTHEASTERN CHINA.

MISSILE ACTIVITY

5. THE AREA NEAR CHEN-PIEN-I, WHERE MRBM EQUIPMENT WAS RECENTLY IDENTIFIED, WAS CLOUD COVERED.

6. THE CHING-YU AND WU-CHAI SSM COMPLEXES WERE OBSERVED. NO MISSILE EXERCISES OR SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY WAS APPARENT.

NUCLEAR ACTIVITY

7. THIS IS THE FIRST POST-SHOT PHOTOGRAPHY OF GZ-2 SINCE [REDACTED] AND SHOWS THAT THE AIRDROP MARKER HAS BEEN PARTIALLY OBLITERATED. NO TENTS WERE PRESENT BETWEEN GZ-2 AND THE MAIN CONTROL POINT. HOWEVER, TENTS WERE OBSERVED AT THE MAIN CONTROL POINT, THE CLOSE SUPPORT CAMPS, AND THE SUPPORT AREA. THE TWO TENT CAMPS NORTHWEST OF THE SUPPORT AREA HAVE BEEN ABANDONED SUBSEQUENT TO [REDACTED]

AT THE LOP NOR  
NUCLEAR TEST SITE

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8. A NEW AREA OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED WITHIN THE LOP NOR NUCLEAR TEST SITE ON 21 NOVEMBER 1970. THE NEW AREA IS LOCATED AT ABOUT 40-54N 89-56E, 12 NAUTICAL MILES NORTHEAST OF GZ-2, AND CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 600 TENTS AND NUMEROUS VEHICLES. CONSTRUCTION INCLUDES SEVERAL T-SHAPED EXCAVATIONS, STRUCTURES, A PAD-LIKE AREA, AND TRENCHES. A GOOD ROAD, FIRST OBSERVED IN [ ] CONNECTS THE NEW AREA WITH THE MAIN ACCESS ROAD.

NAVAL ACTIVITY

9. NAVAL FACILITIES AT LU-TA, CHING-TAO AND HSIAO-PING-TAO WERE COVERED. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY WAS OBSERVED.

USSR-CHINA-MONGOLIA BORDER AREAGROUND FORCE ACTIVITY

10. AN INSTALLATION FIRST OBSERVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION ON [ ] IS NOW IDENTIFIED AS OBLUCHYE MILITARY BARRACKS (48-58-56N 131-03-41E, [ ] IT IS IN THE FAR EAST MILITARY DISTRICT (MD) OF THE USSR, 12 NAUTICAL MILES FROM THE USSR-CHINA BORDER. THE INSTALLATION

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CONSISTS OF 22 BUILDINGS, AN INCREASE OF 16 SINCE [ ] ORDER OF BATTLE PRESENT ON 21 NOVEMBER 1970 CONSISTED OF 300 VEHICLES AND PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.

11. A BARRACKS AREA UNDER CONSTRUCTION WAS NEWLY IDENTIFIED ON 21 NOVEMBER 1970 IN THE FAR EAST MD OF THE USSR, 15.5 NM FROM THE USSR-CHINA BORDER AT 48-29-50N 134-54-50E. IT IS DESIGNATED AS PRIAMURSKIY ARMY BARRACKS [ ] AND CONSISTS OF 15 BUILDINGS AND A POSSIBLE SMALL-ARMS FIRING RANGE. ORDER OF BATTLE PRESENT CONSISTED OF APPROXIMATELY 100 VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.

12. ~~AN~~ EXPLOSIVES STORAGE AREA WAS NEWLY OBSERVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION IMMEDIATELY WEST OF BAYAN SUMA, MONGOLIA, APPROXIMATELY 230 MILES NORTH-WEST OF THE BORDER WITH CHINA. IT IS AT 47-14-30N 107-29-00E [ ] THE NEW STORAGE AREA IS DOUBLE-FENCED AND WILL BE RAIL SERVED BY A SPUR FROM THE TRANS-MONGOLIA RAILROAD. THE AREA CONTAINS TEN REVETTED BUILDINGS, 11 DISPERSED BUILDINGS, 22 BUILDING FOUNDATIONS, AND EIGHT STACKS OF BOXES OR CRATES DISPERSED IN OPEN STORAGE. A SUPPORT AREA IMMEDIATELY EAST OF THE SECURED AREA CONTAINS THREE BUILDINGS AND TWO BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

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AT LEAST NINE TENTS WERE OBSERVED.

13. THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF TARGETS REPORTED ABOVE WITH THEIR  
COUNTRY CODE, GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES, BE NUMBER, AND CATEGORY CODE.

LOP NOR NUCLEAR TEST SITE SEARCH	CH	4047N 08942E.
LOP NOR NUCLEAR TEST SITE GZ-2	CH	404711N 0894246E
SEMIPALATINSK NWPG SHAGAN RIVER TEST AREA	UR	495850N 0785530E

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